

AICZ Donation Policy

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The American International Club of Zurich (AICZ) appreciates the generosity of members and friends who wish to support the Club through donations. To ensure that all gifts benefit the Club and can be managed responsibly, we follow the guidelines below.

This page summarizes our donation policy in clear, simple terms.

1. What Types of Donations We Accept

AICZ may accept:

- **Financial contributions**
- **Chattel** (tangible personal property such as art, equipment, furniture, vehicles, or collectibles)
- **Real property** (land or buildings)

All donations must support the Club's mission and activities.

2. General Requirements for All Donations

To protect both donors and the Club:

- **All donations must be unconditional.**
This means the donation cannot come with requirements on how AICZ must use, store, sell, or manage the item or property.
- **AICZ may accept or decline any donation.**
Acceptance is based on the Club's needs, mission, and ability to manage the gift responsibly.
- **AICZ does not offer tax or legal advice.**
Donors should consult their own advisors for guidance on tax or legal matters.

3. Donations of Real Property (Land or Buildings)

We sincerely appreciate interest in gifting real estate. However, these gifts involve legal and financial responsibilities, so the following rules apply:

Real property donations must:

- Be **unconditional**
- Be transferred with **clear, marketable title** and **no cloud on title** (meaning no liens, debts, disputes, restrictions, or other issues)

Important points for donors:

- AICZ **cannot reimburse** donors for any costs related to the property—including taxes, transfer fees, repairs, appraisals, or legal costs.
- AICZ **does not guarantee** that the property will be sold, or that it will sell at any minimum price.
- The Club may **sell, hold, or use** the property at its sole discretion.
- Donors must supply all documents needed to verify clear title and compliance with Swiss legal requirements.

4. Donations of Chattel (Tangible Personal Property)

Chattel includes physical items such as artwork, furniture, vehicles, equipment, and collectibles.

Chattel donations must:

- Be **unconditional**
- Come with a guarantee from the donor that they are the legal owner
- Be free of claims, liens, or disputes
- Be safe and appropriate for the Club to store, use, or resell

Important points for donors:

- AICZ may accept or decline items based on their condition, safety, storage needs, and usefulness.
- AICZ **cannot reimburse** any transport, storage, insurance, appraisal, or related costs.

- Once donated, AICZ may **use, sell, donate, recycle, or dispose of** the item as it sees fit.
- Delivery and any transportation costs are the donor's responsibility.

5. How Donation Decisions Are Made

- All real property and chattel donations having a stated value of over 100 CHF are reviewed by the **AICZ Executive Committee**.
- AICZ may decline any donation if accepting it would create financial, legal, or operational burdens.

6. Auctions, Tombola, or raffles

- Any item offered for raffle, tombola, or auction for fundraising purposes is offered to the AICZ under this donation policy. No conditions, such as minimum or maximum sale value, may be placed on such donations. The items donated, no matter what the perceived value of the donor, may be re-sold by the AICZ for fundraising purposes for any price or, if not disposed of in a raffle, tombola, or auction, may be given away to a recognized charity. The donation remains the property of the AICZ for possible use for fundraising purposes at a later date, unless the AICZ Executive Committee votes to return the donated item. However, if returned within 24 hours of the donation and the objective value of the donation is less than 500 CHF, the approval of any Executive Committee member is sufficient to return the donation to the donor.

7. Acknowledgment and Privacy

AICZ is grateful for all supporters. Donors may be publicly acknowledged unless they request anonymity. Personal information is handled in accordance with Swiss data protection regulations.

8. No tax benefits from donations

The AICZ is not officially registered or recognized by the Swiss tax authorities as a "non-profit". We are a "verein". Organizations or individuals get no tax benefit whatsoever from

any contribution or donation they make to the AICZ. Nevertheless, we appreciate and carefully use donations to further the mission of the Club which we hope our donors share.

9. Agreement

As a condition to acceptance by the AICZ of your donation, you agree to these terms.

10. Questions?

We are happy to help.

For more information or to discuss a potential donation, please contact:

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